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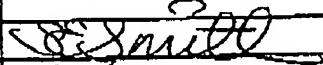
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Application No. 10/689,139

Examiner ELLINGTON, Alandra

Filed: October 20, 2003

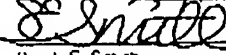
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For: SENSOR ELEMENT DEVICE FOR A CAPACITIVE CONTACT SWITCH WITH AN
ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTIVE BODY AND METHOD FOR THE
MANUFACTURE OF SUCH A BODY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This response is in reply to a restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated November 17, 2004, in the above-identified application, with a one month shortened statutory period, making a response due on or before December 17, 2004. This response is timely filed.

REMARKS

In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner has issued a restriction requirement and requires election of one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I: Claims 1-21, drawn to a sensor element device for a capacitive contact switch; and

Group II: Claims 22-24, drawn to a method for the manufacture of a body as a sensor element for a capacitive sensor element device.

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U.S. Patent Appin. No 10/689,139
Response to Restriction Requirement

Docket No 304-815

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-21) for further prosecution. Withdrawal of the outstanding restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121, and examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Date: 12/13/04

Respectfully submitted,



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